

## House Resolution 1077

By: Representative Golick of the 34<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Joe Lee Thompson; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Joe Lee Thompson has long been recognized by the citizens of this state  
3 for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the  
4 welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,  
6 talents, and energy toward the betterment of the Cobb County community and the state as  
7 evidenced dramatically by his years of superlative service as a Senator with the Georgia  
8 General Assembly and as a Cobb County Commissioner; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson served as a Senator representing the residents of Cobb County  
10 for 12 years, devoting his time, talents, and efforts to uplifting the State of Georgia through  
11 insightful and inspired legislation; and

12 WHEREAS, after his dedicated service at the state level, Mr. Thompson joined the Cobb  
13 County Board of Commissioners in 1993, representing District 2, where he earned a  
14 well-deserved reputation as a reasoned and thoughtful decision maker; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Thompson served as commissioner until 2008, earning him the distinction  
16 as the longest serving district commissioner in Cobb County's history; and

17 WHEREAS, his tenure as a commissioner was marked with great accomplishments, most  
18 notably the widening of Atlanta Road to five lanes and the addition of sidewalks, which  
19 transformed the entire area into a thriving and bustling mixed-use development area; and

20 WHEREAS, during his years with the board, Mr. Thompson saw the multi-million dollar  
21 renovation of Cumberland Mall, the opening of the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Center,

22 the improvement of the East-West Connector, and the purchase of Hyde Farm in East Cobb,  
23 which is slated to become one of the state's most beautiful and interesting parks; and

24 WHEREAS, his great wisdom and leadership talents, his remarkable patience and diplomacy,  
25 his keen sense of vision, and his unique and effective way of conveying his point have earned  
26 him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

27 WHEREAS, a graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology, this Yellow Jacket has  
28 brought great pride to his alma mater with his distinguished and remarkable career in state  
29 and local government, and his many accomplishments are worthy of recognition.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
31 the members of this body commend Mr. Joe Lee Thompson for his efficient, effective,  
32 unselfish, and dedicated public service to Cobb County and the State of Georgia and extend  
33 their most sincere best wishes for continued health, happiness, and success.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Joe Lee Thompson.